# General Plan Program Technical Advisory Committee

Minutes of Meeting #3 - July 7, 2003

The Technical Advisory Committee (TAC) for the General Plan program held its third meeting on Monday, July 7, 2003 at 2:00 P.M. on the 5th floor of City Hall, in the large conference room. Attendees were as follows:

### **TAC Members**

Tom Boyd, City of Riverside Public Works Fran Dunajski, City of Riverside Public Works Gerry Buydos, Riverside Public Utilities Kathy Gonzales, City Attorney's Office Mike McCoy for Anne Palatino, RTA Naty Kopenhaver, RCTC Dr. Cliff Trafzer, UCR Dan Fairbanks, March JPA Jerry Jolliffe for Ron Goldman, Riverside County TLMA Ed Studor, Riverside County TLMA Dan Chudy Kim Peter, City of Riverside Information Systems Kristin Tillquist, Chief of Staff to the Mayor Eva Yakutis-McNiel, Office of Neighborhoods Troy Brown, City Manager's Office Tom Safford, Western Municipal Water District

## **City Staff**

Ken Gutierrez, Planning Director Craig Aaron, Principal Planner Diane Jenkins, Senior Planner Patricia Brenes, Associate Planner

#### **Consultant Team**

Laura Stetson, Cotton/Bridges/Associates John Cook, Cotton/Bridges/Associates

#### Discussion

Laura Stetson stated that future TAC meetings would be focused on specific issues. She indicated that the present meeting would feature discussion of infrastructure issues and related data needs, as well as a recap of the Office of Neighborhoods June 28<sup>th</sup> event. She provided an update on the General Plan Process to date, noting that the City Council and Planning Commission had given direction to neither make nor propose any changes to Proposition R/Measure C, but had endorsed the connection of Overlook Parkway.

#### WAC

Members of the TAC and the consultant team next discussed the role of the Washington/Alessandro Committee (WAC), which is an ad-hoc committee of both the Riverside County Board of Supervisors and the Riverside City Council. Craig Aaron stated that he is a member of this committee.

#### **Infrastructure Issues**

The group next discussed the consultant team's data needs and general issues regarding major infrastructure (sewer, water, stormwater, waste management). Riverside Public Utilities is working on a plan to indicate proposed electric service areas, as well as areas in need of new water treatment facilities.

Tom Boyd stated that the Public Works Department is completing a sewer deficiency/capacity study, but that the study will not be complete until 2005. Boyd indicated that his office would prepare for the consultant team a map of service areas as they are known today and would include a description of service areas on the north side of the Santa Ana River.

Gerry Buydos stated that the City is looking into opportunities for solar power generation and stated that Design Guidelines should include consideration of passive solar opportunities.

As for solid waste issues, the City is achieving statewide waste diversion goals. Boyd stated that some multi-family areas cannot be served by recycling trucks due to street width limitations.

Regarding water service, Buydos stated that given the City's relatively inexpensive and plentiful supply of groundwater, there are few incentives to explore the use of reclaimed water.

# **Neighborhood Conference**

Eva Yakutis-McNiel and Ken Gutierrez provided a summary of the proceedings of the Office of Neighborhoods' June 28 conference. Yakutis-McNiel stated that the purpose of the meeting was to provide leadership training to citizens on how to improve their neighborhoods. She stated that sessions on planning issues were well-attended, including a youth planning exercise, notes of which are forthcoming.

Ken Gutierrez stated that the number one issue at the conference was traffic. He reported concern about cut-through traffic and heard many requests for traffic calming measures. He stated that the September 13 Citizens Congress was heavily promoted.

# Minutes of the May 12, 2003 TAC Meeting

The minutes were approved with no changes.

## Adjournment

Stetson stated that the next TAC meeting would be held on **Monday, August 4** and the agenda would be forthcoming.